

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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ENHANCED TRANSPORT USING MEMBRANE DISRUPTIVE AGENTS

# RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER/ PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

May 6, 2004

### TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

#### Response Transmittal A.

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining		Highest Number						
	After		Previously		Present				Additional
	Amendment		Paid For		Extra		Rate		Fee
Total Claims	28	-	33	=	0	Х	9	=	0
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	X	43	=	0
	TOTAL				•			-	\$0

#### B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 19, 2004, set to expire on April 19, 2004, be extended by 1 month, to expire on May 19, 2004. The enclosed check includes the 1-month extension fee of \$55.00.

#### C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 155354 in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the request for extension of time fee.

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# D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

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### TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Pursuant to the Request for Extension of Time, the period for response has been extended one (1) month, to expire May 19, 2004. In response to the requirement for election of species mailed March 19, 2004, applicants hereby elect the following:

- (a) hydrophobic component: the terpolymer of dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate (DMAEMA), butyl methacrylate (BMA), and styrene benzaldehyde, which is described in Example 2 and illustrated in Figures 4 and 5;
  - hydrophilic component: polyalkylene oxide (e.g., PEG); (b)
  - pH-sensitive linkage: acetal; (c)
  - (d) agent: therapeutic agents (e.g., oligonucleotides);
  - ligand: antibody (e.g., IgG); and (e)
  - (f) carrier: microparticles.

Applicants respectfully traverse the election of species with regard to the election of the agent, ligand, and carrier. Applicants believe that such an election is not required for the purposes of searching and commencing examination. Reconsideration of the requirement for these species is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that Claims 2-4, 8-10, 13-19, and 33-36 read on the elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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